

Transportation/Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 16, 2009
2:10 P.M.
Third Floor, City Hall

Present: **Chair: CM Fleming**
 Members: CM Owen, CW Ward-Pugh, CM Benson, CW Green & CM Engel

Absent: **CM Johnson (excused absence)**

Also Present: **CM King**

Chairman Fleming announced the members and non-members of the committee that were present. A quorum was established.

Special Items For Discussion

[LG&E - STORM RECOVERY PRESENTATION](#)

George Siemens, Louisville Gas & Electric, gave a PowerPoint presentation demonstrating the efforts LG&E took for the 2009 Ice Storm. The following was discussed:

- Worst Storm on record for Kentucky
- Outages
 - State – 769,000
 - E.ON US – 404,000
 - Wind Storm – 376,000
- Crisis management actions
- Impact on the Distribution System
 - Utility poles broke like toothpicks
- Fallen utility lines
- Trees/limbs blocked restoration efforts
- Frozen, then thawed lines sometimes caused multiple repairs
- Potential Safety Hazards for Workers
- Insurance/Rate adjustments
- Real Time Information
- Mutual Aid Assistance
- Buried Line Study
 - Hope to have a report by the end of summer

The committee would invite Mr. Siemens to return sometime in July to address buried lines and enhanced communications.

Pending Legislation

[R-42-03-09 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR'S SIGNATURE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION CABINET CONCERNING AN \\$80,000.00 GRANT FOR IMPROVEMENT OF THE NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILROAD CROSSING AT BRECKINRIDGE LANE NEAR THE SIX MILE INTERSECTION.](#)

Status: In-Committee

Committee: Transportation/Public Works

Primary Sponsor: Kevin Kramer

Motion to approve made by Judy Green and seconded by Tom Owen.

Discussion: Chris Phillips, Public Works & Assets, stated the grant funds were for the beautification efforts for the railroad overpass where Breckenridge Lane intersects at Six Mile Lane. Some of the improvements consist of removing an existing chain link fence and replace with rod iron fencing with railing, as well as landscaping and decorative treatments.

By unanimous voice vote, this item was sent to the **Consent Calendar**.

R-201-11-08 A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LOUISVILLE WATER COMPANY TO RESCIND THE 5.5% RATE INCREASE IMPOSED UPON CITIZENS DURING TIME OF ECONOMIC HARDSHIP

Status: In Committee - Held

Committee: Transportation/Public Works

Primary Sponsor: Dan Johnson

This item **REMAINED HELD IN COMMITTEE**.

Motion to adjourn made by Tina Ward-Pugh; without objection the meeting adjourned at 3:02PM
KLP

***NOTE: Legislation sent to the Consent Calendar April 23, 2009. Full discussion is available on audio by request of the Metro Council Clerk's Office (502) 574-3902.**